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Talked with Victor Zafra, OMB, about the status of our retirement legislation. Zafra said he had talked with members of their staff and, since it appeared that we were going to have to go up twice on our legislation, he asked why we could not go with a quota provision only now and get the rest of our package later. I told Zafra we still hoped it would not be necessary to go up twice and I asked again why we could not go forward with our package as originally submitted and have our legislation amended at such time as the issue of unfunded liability is settled and amendments made to Civil Service, Foreign Service, and our Retirement Act all at the same time. Zafra made it clear that in handling the matter this way they were able to "build up pressure" to get this situation corrected and he seemed rather adamant on the subject. He then suggested that we send OMB a letter stating our views on the Treasury comments on our proposed legislation. I said I saw no reason why we couldn't do this, but also indicated that we had not yet heard from Roger Jones on the subject. I said I would check with our people and Zafra said he would put pressure on the Civil Service Commission to get the views which OMB requested on the Treasury comment.

Later in the day, following a meeting with Colonel White, Mr. Houston talked with Roger Jones who did not give us much encouragement, but suggested that we send him a copy of our comments on Treasury's views and said he would do the best he could.

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